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Application of: **HASTINGS et al.**

Art Unit: 1647

Application Serial No.: 09/170,042

Examiner: Hayes, R.

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For: **HUMAN NEURONAL ATTACHMENT FACTOR-1**

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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO COMMUNICATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Further to today's telephone conference with the Examiner, Applicants note that the PAIR system does not indicate the receipt of the Third Preliminary Amendment and Response to Communication filed by Applicants on April 17, 2001. However, Applicants received a Return Receipt Card stamped by the Patent and Trademark Office on April 17, 2001, evidencing receipt by the Office of:

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2. Third Preliminary Amendment and Response to Communication; and
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As requested by the Examiner, a copy of the stamped Return Receipt Card and each of the above-referenced documents is attached hereto.

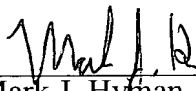
Accordingly, Applicants submit that the above-referenced documents establish that a timely reply to the Communication mailed March 29, 2001 was filed via hand delivery on April 17, 2001. Entry and consideration of the previously submitted Third Preliminary Amendment and Response to Communication is therefore respectfully solicited. The

Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the phone number provided below if any further action by Applicant would expedite the examination of this application.

Applicants believe that there are no fees due in connection with the filing of this paper. However, should a fee be due, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 08-3425. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, such an extension is requested and the appropriate fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: October 17, 2001



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